Statement

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP)

State	(1992-93) Allocation	(1993-94) Allocation	(1994-95) Allocation	(1995-96) Allocation	(1996-97) Allocation
1. Andhra Pradesh	1203.00	1804.50	1993.00	2635.00	2755.00
2. Bihar	828.00	1242.00	1380.00	2245.00	2246.00
3. Gujarat	746.00	1119.00	1236.00	1345.00	1545.00
4. Haryana	135.00	202.50	225.00	165.00	165.00
5. J and K	214.50	321.75	357.50	495.00	495.00
6. Karnataka	1249.00	1873.50	2068.00	2265.00	2290.00
7. Madhya Pradesh	809.00	1213.50	1345.00	3510.00	3752.00
8. Maharashtra	1343.00	2014.50	2218.00	4295.00	4295.00
9. Orissa	621.00	931.50	1033.00	1045.00	1045.00
10. Rajasthan	514.00	771.00	853.00	865.00	871.00
11. Tamil Nadu	657.00	985.50	1095.00	1485.00	1485.00
12. Uttar Pradesh	1386.00	2079.00	2307.00	1985.00	2185.00
13. West Bengal	517.50	776.25	862.50	640.00	640.00

Starvation Deaths amongst Tribals

1365. SHRI SATYAJITSINH DULIPSINH GAEKWAD : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Governments attention has been drawn to the survey of some 150 villages in the drought hit and tribal intested areas of Melghat, conducted by Anubhav Shiksha Kendra, a voluntary organisation, as published in the Indian Express of June 23, 1997;

(b) if so, whether the survey reveals conditions of object poverty water scarcity and starvation deaths amongst the tribals; and

(c) the steps taken to ensure alleviation of the condition of the drought hit tribals of this region?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) Yes, the Government's attention has been drawn to the news items published in the Indian Express of June 23,1997;

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment is implementing various Rural Employment and Poverty Alleviation Programmes such as Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY), Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) and Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) throughout the country including Melghat area of Maharashtra. The main objective of these programmes is to provide wage/self employment to rural poor living below the poverty line including the tribal population. Besides, Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) to provide potable drinking water to rural poor including tribals and Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP) to minimise adverse effects of drought on production of crops and livestock and productivity of land, water and human resources are also being implemented. While implementing these programmes, special assistance preference is given to tribals as per land down guidelines.

[Translation]

Copper Factories

1366. SHRI PUNNU LAL MOHLE : Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the locations of the copper factories at Malanjkhand of Balaghat district in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the progress made in setting up of copper factories in the mines areas alongwith their distance from mines and the locations thereof;

(c) the progress made in increasing the production capacity of these factories;

(d) the number of local and educated people provided employment therein;

(e) whether the Government have made arrangements for the transportation of the raw-material extracted from the mines; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA) : (a) Hindustan Copper Limited, a Public Sector Undertaking